

## Supporting Information

### Simple and efficient copper-catalyzed cascade synthesis of naphthols containing multifunctional groups under mild conditions

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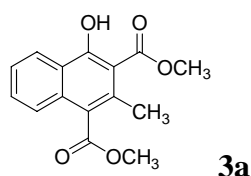
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## General experimental procedures

All reactions were carried out under nitrogen atmosphere. Proton magnetic resonance spectra ( $^1\text{H}$  NMR) were recorded using tetramethylsilane (TMS) (at 0.00 ppm) in the solvent, remaining  $\text{CHCl}_3$  in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (at 7.26 ppm) or remaining DMSO in  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$  (at 2.50 ppm) as the internal standard. Carbon magnetic resonance spectra ( $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR) were recorded using  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (at 77.2 ppm) or  $\text{DMSO-}d_6$  (at 39.5 ppm) as the internal standard.

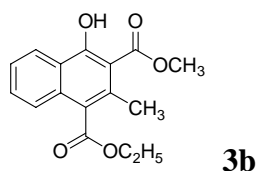
**Synthesis of compounds 1a-d:** Compounds **1a-d** was synthesized according to the known methods.<sup>1,2</sup>

**General procedure for synthesis of compounds 3a-t.** A 10 mL round bottom flask was charged with a magnetic stirrer and dry DMF (2 mL), substituted methyl 3-(2-halophenyl)-3-oxopropanoate or 3-(2-bromo-5-chlorophenyl)-3-oxopropanenitrile (**1**) (0.5 mmol),  $\beta$ -keto ester, acetylacetone, alkyl 2-cyanoacetate, 3-oxo-3-phenylpropanenitrile or malononitrile (**2**) (0.6 mmol),  $\text{Cs}_2\text{CO}_3$  (1 mmol, 326 mg), after stirring of the mixture for 10 min under nitrogen atmosphere, and  $\text{CuCl}$  (0.05 mmol, 5 mg) was added to the flask. The mixture was stirred at the shown temperature in Table 2 in text for a time under nitrogen atmosphere. The resulting mixture was filtered, the solid was washed with ethyl acetate two times ( $2 \times 3$  mL), and the combined filtrate was concentrated by the rotary evaporator, and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as eluent to give the desired product.

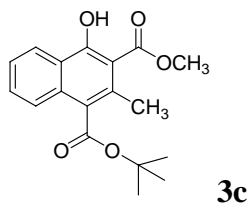


**Dimethyl 4-hydroxy-2-methylnaphthalene-1,3-dicarboxylate (3a).** Eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (15:1). Yield 123 mg (90%) using methyl 3-(2-bromophenyl)-3-oxopropanoate as the substrate; 71 mg (52%) using methyl

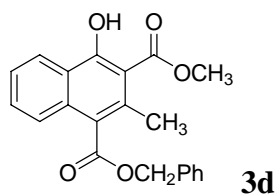
3-(2-chlorophenyl)-3-oxopropanoate as the substrate. White solid, mp 95-97 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 300 MHz)  $\delta$  12.79 (s, 1H), 8.41 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.3$  Hz), 7.65-7.53 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.45 (m, 1H), 4.01 (s, 3H), 4.00 (s, 3H), 2.57 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 75MHz)  $\delta$  172.9, 170.6, 163.0, 132.7, 132.6, 130.7, 125.8, 124.4, 124.1, 123.5, 106.1, 52.6, 52.5, 21.2. HR-MS  $[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$  m/z Calcd for  $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{13}\text{O}_5$ : 273.0763. Found: 273.0755.



**1-Ethyl 3-methyl 4-hydroxy-2-methylnaphthalene-1,3-dicarboxylate (3b).** Eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (15:1). Yield 95 mg (66%). White solid, mp 86-88 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 300 MHz)  $\delta$  12.77 (s, 1H), 8.40 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.3$  Hz), 7.64-7.59 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.44 (m, 1H), 4.50 (q, 2H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz), 4.00 (s, 3H), 2.58 (s, 3H), 1.44 (t, 3H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 75 MHz)  $\delta$  172.9, 170.1, 162.9, 132.6, 132.5, 130.7, 125.7, 124.8, 124.4, 124.1, 123.5, 106.1, 61.5, 52.6, 21.0, 14.4. HR-MS  $[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$  m/z Calcd for  $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{15}\text{O}_5$ : 287.0919. Found: 287.0913.

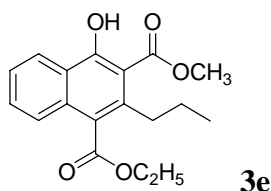


**1-tert-Butyl 3-methyl 4-hydroxy-2-methylnaphthalene-1,3-dicarboxylate (3c).** Eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (15:1). Yield 119 mg (75%). White solid, mp 161-163 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 300 MHz)  $\delta$  12.71 (s, 1H), 8.40 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.3$  Hz), 7.71-7.58 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.44 (m, 1H), 4.00 (s, 3H), 2.61 (s, 3H), 1.67 (s, 9H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 75 MHz)  $\delta$  173.0, 169.4, 162.6, 132.6, 131.6, 130.6, 126.1, 125.6, 124.4, 124.0, 123.5, 106.1, 82.4, 52.5, 28.4, 20.7. HR-MS  $[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$  m/z Calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_5$ : 315.1232. Found: 315.1228.

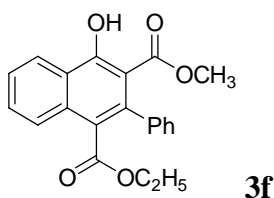


**1-Benzyl 3-methyl 4-hydroxy-2-methylnaphthalene-1,3-dicarboxylate (3d).** Eluent:

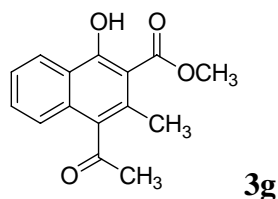
petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (10:1). Yield 166 mg (95%). White solid, mp 96-97 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 300 MHz)  $\delta$  12.78 (s, 1H), 8.39 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.4$  Hz), 7.57-7.34 (m, 8H), 5.47 (s, 2H), 3.98 (s, 3H), 2.53 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 75 MHz)  $\delta$  172.9, 169.9, 163.1, 135.6, 132.7, 132.6, 130.7, 128.8, 128.7, 128.6, 125.7, 124.4, 124.3, 124.1, 123.5, 106.1, 67.4, 52.6, 21.1. HR-MS  $[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$   $m/z$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_5$ : 349.1076. Found: 349.1076.



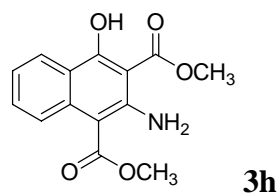
**1-Ethyl 3-methyl 4-hydroxy-2-propylnaphthalene-1,3-dicarboxylate (3e).** Eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (15:1). Yield 107 mg (68%). White solid, mp 57-59 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 300 MHz)  $\delta$  12.76 (s, 1H), 8.41 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.6$  Hz), 7.65-7.55 (m, 2H), 7.52-7.44 (m, 1H), 4.51 (q, 2H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz), 4.02 (s, 3H), 2.96 (t, 2H,  $J = 7.9$  Hz), 1.69-1.54 (m, 2H), 1.44 (t, 2H,  $J = 6.9$  Hz), 0.98 (t, 3H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 75 MHz)  $\delta$  172.8, 170.1, 163.2, 136.9, 132.6, 130.6, 125.8, 124.7, 124.5, 124.2, 123.7, 105.3, 61.5, 52.7, 36.0, 25.4, 14.8, 14.5. HR-MS  $[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$   $m/z$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{19}\text{O}_5$ : 315.1232. Found: 315.1230.



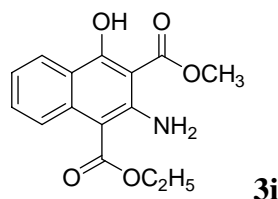
**1-Ethyl 3-methyl 4-hydroxy-2-phenylnaphthalene-1,3-dicarboxylate (3f).** Eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (15:1). Yield 158 mg (90%). White solid, mp 123-125 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 300 MHz)  $\delta$  12.46 (s, 1H), 8.49 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.3$  Hz), 7.80 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.3$  Hz), 7.72-7.63 (m, 1H), 7.62-7.54 (m, 1H), 7.37-7.22 (m, 5H), 3.99 (q, 2H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz), 3.45 (s, 3H), 0.90 (t, 3H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 75 MHz)  $\delta$  172.1, 168.9, 162.1, 140.7, 137.2, 132.3, 130.9, 128.9, 127.4, 127.1, 126.5, 125.1, 124.8, 124.4, 124.1, 105.7, 61.3, 52.1, 13.8. HR-MS  $[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$   $m/z$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{17}\text{O}_5$ : 349.1076. Found: 349.1075.



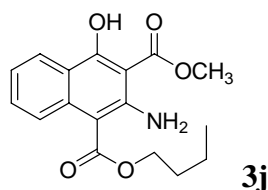
**Methyl 4-acetyl-1-hydroxy-3-methyl-2-naphthoate (3g).** Eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (10:1). Yield 123 mg (95%). White solid, mp 124-126 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) δ 12.74 (s, 1H), 8.43 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 7.65-7.57 (m, 1H), 7.54-7.44 (m, 2H), 4.02 (s, 3H), 2.59 (s, 3H), 2.53 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) δ 208.4, 173.0, 162.6, 132.3, 131.7, 130.7, 129.5, 125.7, 124.7, 123.7, 123.6, 106.1, 52.6, 33.7, 20.6. HR-MS [M-H]<sup>-</sup> m/z Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>13</sub>O<sub>4</sub>: 257.0814. Found: 257.0808.



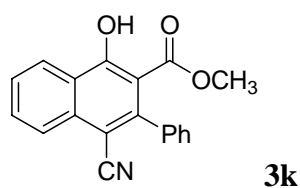
**Dimethyl 2-amino-4-hydroxynaphthalene-1,3-dicarboxylate (3h).**<sup>3</sup> Eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (4:1). Yield 84 mg (61%). Yellow solid, mp 129-131 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) δ 13.27 (s, 1H), 8.30-8.21 (m, 2H), 7.77 (s, 2H), 7.54-7.47 (m, 1H), 7.23-7.15 (m, 1H), 4.08 (s, 3H), 3.96 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) δ 171.9, 170.3, 167.5, 151.0, 136.8, 131.6, 124.8, 124.7, 122.0, 119.0, 96.5, 96.3, 53.1, 51.4. HR-MS [M-H]<sup>-</sup> m/z Calcd for C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>12</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>: 274.0716. Found: 274.0718.



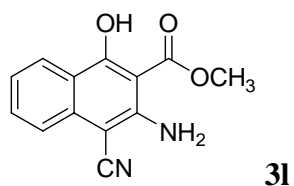
**1-Ethyl 3-methyl 2-amino-4-hydroxynaphthalene-1,3-dicarboxylate (3i).** Eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (4:1). Yield 151 mg (66%). Yellow solid, mp 69-70 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) δ 13.21 (s, 1H), 8.30-8.20 (m, 2H), 7.67 (s, 2H), 7.52-7.43 (m, 1H), 7.20-7.12 (m, 1H), 4.44 (q, 2H, *J* = 7.2 Hz), 4.00 (s, 3H), 1.44 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.2 Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) δ 171.9, 169.8, 167.3, 150.8, 136.8, 131.5, 124.7, 124.6, 121.9, 118.9, 96.8, 96.3, 60.5, 53.0, 14.6. HR-MS [M-H]<sup>-</sup> m/z Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>14</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>: 288.0872. Found: 288.0876.



**1-Butyl 3-methyl 2-amino-4-hydroxynaphthalene-1,3-dicarboxylate (3j).** Eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (4:1). Yield 102 mg (64%) using methyl 3-(2-bromophenyl)-3-oxopropanoate as the substrate; 92 mg (58%) using methyl 3-(2-chlorophenyl)-3-oxopropanoate as the substrate. Yellow solid, mp 58-61 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) δ 13.25 (s, 1H), 8.31-8.23 (m, 2H), 7.71 (s, 2H), 7.53-7.46 (m, 1H), 7.22-7.15 (m, 1H), 4.39 (t, 2H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 4.08 (s, 3H), 1.86-1.74 (m, 2H), 1.58-1.43 (m, 2H), 0.99 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.2 Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) δ 172.0, 170.0, 168.4, 150.8, 136.9, 131.5, 124.8, 124.7, 122.0, 119.0, 96.9, 96.3, 64.6, 53.1, 31.0, 19.7, 13.9. HR-MS [M-H]<sup>-</sup> m/z Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NO<sub>5</sub>: 316.1185. Found: 316.1178.

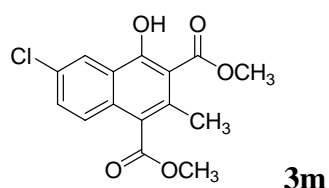


**Methyl 4-cyano-1-hydroxy-3-phenyl-2-naphthoate (3k).** Eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (10:1). Yield 96 mg (63%) using methyl 3-(2-bromophenyl)-3-oxopropanoate as the substrate; 62 mg (41%) using methyl 3-(2-chlorophenyl)-3-oxopropanoate as the substrate. White solid, mp 153-154 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 600 MHz) δ 8.51 (d, 1H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 8.20 (d, 1H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 7.83 (s, 1H), 7.67 (s, 1H), 7.52-7.39 (m, 3H), 7.36-7.28 (m, 2H), 3.49 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 150 MHz) δ 171.4, 164.6, 147.4, 139.7, 134.5, 132.3, 128.4, 128.3, 128.0, 127.4, 125.4, 124.7, 124.0, 117.0, 106.4, 103.4, 52.5. HR-MS [M-H]<sup>-</sup> m/z Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>12</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>: 302.0817. Found: 302.0809.



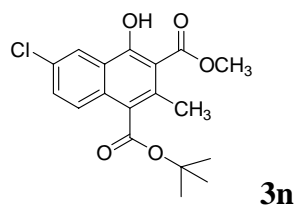
**Methyl 3-amino-4-cyano-1-hydroxy-2-naphthoate (3l).** Eluent: petroleum

ether/ethyl acetate (4:1). Yield 101 mg (83%). Light yellow solid, mp 198-200 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) δ 13.20 (s, 1H), 8.21 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 7.74 (d, 1H, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 7.65-7.56 (m, 1H), 7.32-7.21 (m, 1H), 6.12 (s, 2H), 4.09 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) δ 171.2, 167.7, 150.9, 136.4, 132.8, 125.1, 123.3, 122.8, 118.7, 117.9, 96.0, 80.6, 53.4. HR-MS [M-H]<sup>-</sup> *m/z* Calcd for C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>9</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>: 241.0613. Found: 241.0610.



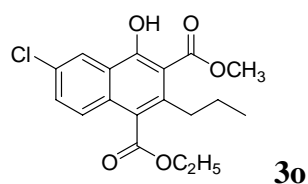
**Dimethyl 6-chloro-4-hydroxy-2-methylnaphthalene-1,3-dicarboxylate (3m).**

Eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (10:1). Yield 130 mg (84%). White solid, mp 117-119 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) δ 12.72 (s, 1H), 8.36 (s, 1H), 7.56-7.50 (m, 2H), 4.01 (s, 3H), 4.00 (s, 3H), 2.55 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) δ 172.6, 170.1, 161.9, 133.3, 131.9, 131.3, 130.8, 125.9, 124.3, 123.6, 107.1, 52.8, 52.6, 21.2. HR-MS [M-H]<sup>-</sup> *m/z* Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>ClO<sub>5</sub>: 307.0373. Found: 307.0373.



**1-tert-butyl 3-methyl 6-chloro-4-hydroxy-2-methylnaphthalene-1,3-dicarboxylate (3n).**

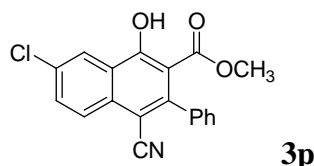
Eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (10:1). Yield 119 mg (68%). White solid, mp 126-128 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) δ 12.65 (s, 1H), 8.36 (s, 1H), 7.65-7.50 (m, 2H), 4.01 (s, 3H), 2.60 (s, 3H), 1.67 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) δ 172.7, 168.9, 161.5, 132.1, 131.7, 130.8, 125.9, 125.8, 124.3, 123.5, 107.0, 82.7, 52.7, 28.4, 20.7. HR-MS [M-H]<sup>-</sup> *m/z* Calcd for C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>18</sub>ClO<sub>5</sub>: 349.0843. Found: 349.0847.



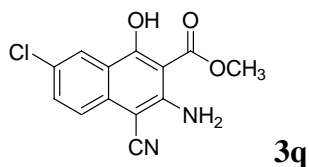
**1-Ethyl 3-methyl 6-chloro-4-hydroxy-2-propylnaphthalene-1,3-dicarboxylate (3o).**

Eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (10:1). Yield 130 mg (74%). White solid,

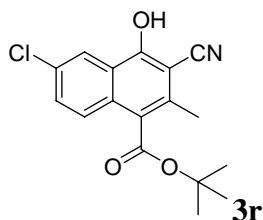
mp 118-120 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 300 MHz)  $\delta$  12.70 (s, 1H), 8.38 (s, 1H), 7.55-7.51 (m, 2H), 4.50 (q, 2H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz), 4.03 (s, 3H), 2.99-2.89 (m, 2H), 1.68-1.53 (m, 2H), 1.44 (t, 3H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz), 0.98 (t, 3H,  $J = 7.2$  Hz).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 75 MHz)  $\delta$  172.5, 169.7, 162.0, 137.4, 131.9, 131.3, 130.9, 126.0, 124.6, 124.5, 123.6, 106.3, 61.7, 52.9, 35.9, 25.3, 14.7, 14.4. HR-MS  $[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$   $m/z$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{18}\text{ClO}_5$ : 349.0843. Found: 349.0843.



**Methyl 7-chloro-4-cyano-1-hydroxy-3-phenyl-2-naphthoate (3p).** Eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (8:1). Yield 105 mg (62%). White solid, dp 162 °C (decomposed point).  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 300 MHz)  $\delta$  12.90 (s, 1H), 8.48 (s, 1H), 8.14 (d, 1H,  $J = 8.9$  Hz), 7.81-7.71 (m, 1H), 7.51-7.42 (m, 3H), 7.35-7.28 (m, 2H), 3.50 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ , 75 MHz)  $\delta$  171.2, 163.4, 147.5, 139.3, 133.8, 133.0, 132.8, 128.5, 128.3, 128.1, 127.2, 124.9, 123.9, 116.6, 107.4, 103.3, 52.7. HR-MS  $[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$   $m/z$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{11}\text{ClNO}_3$ : 336.0428. Found: 336.0429.



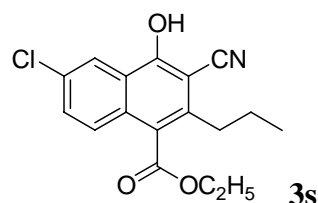
**Methyl 3-amino-7-chloro-4-cyano-1-hydroxy-2-naphthoate (3q).** Eluent: petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (5:1). Yield 94 mg (68%). Yellow solid, mp 231-233 °C.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ , 300 MHz)  $\delta$  12.68 (s, 1H), 8.04 (d, 1H,  $J = 5.2$  Hz), 7.79-7.49 (m, 2H), 7.00 (s, 2H), 3.99 (s, 3H).  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR ( $\text{DMSO}-d_6$ , 75 MHz)  $\delta$  169.3, 162.9, 151.6, 134.4, 132.5, 127.1, 124.0, 123.1, 118.5, 117.1, 98.7, 78.4, 53.4. HR-MS  $[\text{M}-\text{H}]^-$   $m/z$  Calcd for  $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_8\text{ClN}_2\text{O}_3$ : 275.0223. Found: 275.0221.



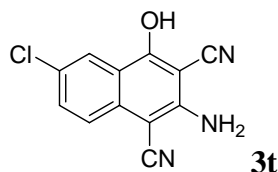
**tert-Butyl 6-chloro-3-cyano-4-hydroxy-2-methyl-1-naphthoate (3r).** Eluent: ethyl



acetate and then washed with ethyl ether. Yield 92 mg (58%). White solid, dp 193 °C (decomposed point). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 300 MHz) δ 8.20 (d, 1H, *J* = 2.1 Hz), 7.74 (d, 1H, *J* = 9.3 Hz), 7.59 (dd, 1H, *J* = 2.1 Hz, *J* = 9.3 Hz), 6.87 (s, 1H), 2.59 (s, 3H), 1.68 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 75 MHz) δ 167.5, 157.2, 132.7, 132.6, 131.5, 131.0, 126.4, 126.1, 122.9, 122.3, 115.4, 96.0, 83.7, 28.4, 18.9. HR-MS [M-H]<sup>-</sup> m/z Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>15</sub>ClNO<sub>3</sub>: 316.0740. Found: 316.0739.



**Methyl 6-chloro-3-cyano-4-hydroxy-2-propyl-1-naphthoate (3s).** Eluent: ethyl acetate and then washed with ethyl ether. Yield 87 mg (55%). White solid, mp 100-102 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 300 MHz) δ 8.41 (s, 1H), 7.82-7.69 (m, 2H), 4.45 (q, 2H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 2.81-2.71 (m, 2H), 1.74-1.57 (m, 2H), 1.36 (t, 3H, *J* = 6.9 Hz), 0.97 (t, 3H, *J* = 7.2 Hz). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 150 MHz) δ 167.5, 160.2, 138.9, 130.9, 130.6, 127.1, 124.1, 122.2, 116.1, 96.2, 61.5, 34.6, 23.7, 14.0, 13.9. HR-MS [M-H]<sup>-</sup> m/z Calcd for C<sub>17</sub>H<sub>15</sub>ClNO<sub>3</sub>: 316.0740. Found: 316.0742.



**2-Amino-6-chloro-4-hydroxynaphthalene-1,3-dicarbonitrile (3t).** Eluent: ethyl acetate/methanol (20:1) and then recrystallization from ethyl acetate/hexane. Yield 94 mg (77%). White solid, mp >300 °C. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 300 MHz) δ 7.95 (s, 1H), 7.48-7.29 (m, 2H), 5.62 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO-*d*<sub>6</sub>, 75 MHz) δ 174.5, 156.0, 135.4, 130.2, 126.8, 125.2, 124.9, 124.7, 120.1, 120.0, 82.0, 68.1. HR-MS [M-H]<sup>-</sup> m/z Calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>5</sub>ClN<sub>3</sub>O: 242.0121. Found: 242.0118.

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